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FOR: PERIPHERAL LENGTH CORRECTION DEVICE OF METAL RINGS

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
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RELATED CASES

- Attached is a copy of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. These documents are listed on form PTO-1449, also attached.
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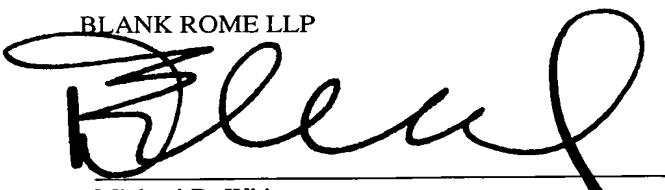
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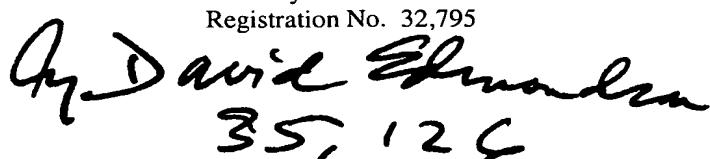


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